

Crossflatts PTA November 2021 - Minutes

Friday 5th November 9.30am & 10th November 8pm

Zoom Meeting

- Attendees from Friday 6th: Alex Ingham, Katy Sugden, Nina Dobson, Chris Smith, Zhanetta Veliaj, Emma Childs, Lydia Waite, Amy Morgan, Kirsty Forrester
- Attendees from Wednesday 10th: Alex Ingham, Jen Rolls, Emma Lumb, Alison Powney, Suzanne Hatherley, Claire Stewart, Mark Stewart
- Actions from last meeting
 - PTA tab on website is being reviewed & updated-Jen Rolls
- Local business sponsorship & supermarket & company grants. Sub group of Alex, Gayle, Sarah & Maria set up. Plus Claire, Claire Stewart and Dawn to help on bids. Shipley Grant to be applied for. Jen has asked Damart if they will sponsor us this year. Awaiting answer
- All money raised from activities this year will go towards the Dingley Dell project. This will be communicated to all families in info-AI sent out letter in October
- Pumpkin Carving Competition update (CS)
 - Approx 120 pumpkins entered
 - £117.00 entry fees, £18.24 spent on prizes £98.76 raised in total
 - Increased fee from 50p to £1 this year.
- Design a tea towel
 - All purchases to be made by 5/11/21 and delivered in December in time for Xmas presents. A minimum of 50 must be ordered per group. £2.50 to make so will sell at £5.00 as need to make a profit. Must sell 32 per group to break even. 8 per class.
 - Dojo used as a communication tool, along with Parents FB page and Year groups to individual year groups.
 - Nursery/Reception-112, Year1/2 117, Year3/4 98, Year 5/6 100. Going to order an additional 5 per group in case of ordering mistakes. These should sell but any remaining towels Gayle will make small hampers with them. To price for next meeting.
 - Need to confirm profit but 427 tea towels sold in total! As usual many parents bought in the last few days and 80 cash envelopes taken into school and given on the last Friday.
- Planning for Christmas activities

- Father Christmas letter. PTA volunteers to post rather than using Royal Mail as will save on stamps. Gayle to look at stickers in place of chocolate coins to be included inside the letters.
- Gayle to speak to Chris Hewitt about sponsoring the Christmas shop.
- School to run 'Stories with Santa' event again on Thursday 8th December. PTA to donate candy sticks for all the children.
- Secret Santa shop-Thursday 8th December. PTA to organise the Secret Santa shop to be in the hall. All classes to get an opportunity to come into the 'shop' and buy presents for family and friends. Teachers will be there to help with each class but PTA will run this with volunteers.
- Jingle Mingle-Friday 9th December-Families allowed onsite in the playground at Christmas Sparkle. Children carol singing, goats dressed up etc-PTA do not need to be involved and can just enjoy the event and support our children without having to worry about serving food/drinks etc
- Sub groups to be set up to organise the different activities
- Thank you to Teachers from PTA. As we did last year, we will prepare some goodies for each year group to show our appreciation for the teachers
- Grants + Local business update
 - Letter written for local business sponsorship-KS has concerns about associating with companies that may sponsor us but then at a later date be unreputable. Fear of reputation. AI to look at ParentKind to see if they have any advice. Could smaller events be sponsored. For example xxxxx sponsor the Secret Shop?
 - Claire will speak to member of Myrtle Park School 'Friends' member about how they manage sponsorship from local businesses.
 - Shipley Grant application – To apply for 2x Buddy Bench. KS & ND to write a paragraph for the grant application for the buddy benches. Deadline 19th November.
- Natasha's Law (KS)
 - All food served onsite to be labelled includes home made food due to new legislation. This will impact all bake sales and home made food served at PTA events. KS suggested we send home a leaflet prior to the events and only accept baked products if the leaflet has been completed. We will have to trial this at our next bake sale. Cannot see this happening until at last after Easter. Process to be reviewed again then.
- AOB (All) None
- Next Meeting date: Friday 3rd December 9.30 am & Friday 8th December 8pm